

Lehigh Canal, Outlet Lock
(Lock 48)
Canal Street
Easton
Northampton County
Pennsylvania

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Location:

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Description:

22 feet by 100 feet outlet lock, the last of three in the two and one-half mile Section Eight between the Chain Dam and this outlet lock. The 13.8 foot lift here combines the lifts of the two previous locks (#'s 48 and 49) located somewhat to the east of this lock, and located approximately 2200 feet downstream. The lock, still in operating condition today, features exposed stone wing walls, though the rest of the masonry has been parged over with concrete.

History:

Probably constructed in the 1920's by the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company and rebuilt by Hugh Moore Park in 1976-78. Until the construction of this lock, the canal ran to the south of the adjacent Toll Collector's office, instead of to the north as it does today.

Source:

HAER Inventory Card by P. H. Stott, 8/1/79.